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MINISTRY OF FOOD & AGRICULTURE

(Department of Food)

ORDER

New Delhi, the 2nd January 1958

S.R.O. 73.—In exercise of the powers conferred by section 3 of the Essential Commodities Act, 1955 (10 of 1955), the Central Government hereby makes the following Order, namely:—

1. Short Title and Commencement.—(1) This Order may be called the South Zone Rice (Restrictions on Rail Bookings) Order, 1958.

(2) It shall come into force at once.

2. Definitions.—In this Order, unless the context otherwise requires,—

- (a) “book” means to accept for despatch by rail;
- (b) “rice” includes paddy and products of rice and paddy other than rice husk and bran;
- (c) “Schedule” means a Schedule to this Order;
- (d) “State Government” means the Government of Andhra Pradesh;
- (e) “transport” means to take into the premises of a railway station for the purpose of despatch by rail.

3. Restrictions on Bookings by Rail.—(1) No person shall transport or attempt to transport or abet the transport of rice to any railway station lying on any of the sections specified in Schedule I for booking to any railway station lying on any of the sections specified in Schedule II.

(2) No person shall book rice from any railway station lying on any of the sections specified in Schedule I to any railway station lying on any of the sections specified in Schedule II:

Provided that nothing contained herein shall apply to the transport or booking of rice—

- (i) on Government account; or
- (ii) under and in accordance with Military credit notes.

4. Powers of Inspection, Seizure etc.—Any Police Officer not below the rank of Assistant Sub-Inspector and any other person authorised in this behalf

by the State Government or the Central Government may, with a view to securing compliance with this Order or to satisfying himself that this Order has been complied with,—

- (1) stop and search, or authorise any person to stop and search, any person, motor or any vehicle or conveyance used or capable of being used for the transport of rice;
- (2) seize or authorise the seizure of any article in respect of which he suspects that any provision of this Order has been, is being or is about to be contravened, along with the packages, coverings or receptacles in which such article is found or the animals, vehicles or other conveyances used in carrying such article and thereafter take or authorise the taking of all measures necessary for securing the production of the packages, coverings or receptacles or the animals, vehicles or other conveyances so seized in a court and for their safe custody pending such production.

SCHEDULE I

All railway stations falling within—

1. Anakapali to Bezwada—Broad Gauge—Southern Railway.
2. Samalkot to Cocanada—Broad Gauge—Southern Railway.
3. Nidadavolu to Narasapur—Broad Gauge—Southern Railway.
4. Bhimavaram to Gudivada—Metre Gauge—Southern Railway.
5. Bezwada to Ongole—Broad Gauge—Southern Railway.
6. Bezwada to Masulipatam—Metre Gauge—Southern Railway.
7. Tenali to Repalle—Broad Gauge—Southern Railway.
8. Bezwada to Guntur—Metre Gauge—Southern Railway.
9. Guntur to Macherla—Metre Gauge—Southern Railway.
10. Guntur to Donakonda—Metre Gauge—Southern Railway.
11. Bezwada to Dornakal—Broad Gauge—Southern Railway.
12. Dornakal to Bhadrachellam Road and Singareni Collieries—Broad Gauge—Southern Railway.

SCHEDULE II

All railway stations falling within,—

1. Alnavar to Castle Rock—Metre Gauge—Southern Railway.
2. Alnavar to Dandeli—Metre Gauge—Southern Railway.
3. Londa to Shedbal—Metre Gauge—Southern Railway.
4. Bijapur to Tadval—Metre Gauge—Southern Railway.
5. Gulbarga to Dudhni—Broad Gauge—Central Railway.
6. Vikarabad to Kalgupur—Belshakarga—Broad Gauge—Central Railway.
7. Nizamabad to Dharmabad—Metre Gauge—Central Railway.
8. Nizamabad to Shakarnagar—Metre Gauge—Central Railway.
9. Mancherla to Sirpur—Kaghaznagar—Makudi—Broad Gauge—Central Railway.
10. Adilabad to Kosai—Metre Gauge—Central Railway.

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